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SUBJ: ASA EVANS/HARRISON SCHEDULED VISIT

ASA CONSIDERS VISIT TO GUATEMALA NECESSARY TO CENTRAL AMERICAN
MARKET DEVELOPMENT WORK FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

1. EL SALVADOR AND GUATEMALA ONLY TWO COUNTRIES WITH SOLVENT
EXTRACTION PLANTS CAPABLE OF PROCESSING SOYA.
2. DR. PIAGGI OF EL DORADO SAN SALVADOR HAS CONSTRUCTED NEW PLANT
NEAR GUATEMALA CITY AND HAS REQUESTED ASA TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.
3. ASA MUST HAVE MARKET INFORMATION AND INTELLIGENCE FROM OIL
PROCESSING INDUSTRY IN ORDER TO ASSIST REMOVAL HIGH TARIFFS AND
TRADE BARRIERS.
4. ASA SOURCES INDICATE EXPERIMENTAL PLANTING OF SOYBEANS ON PACIFIC
COAST THEREFORE SOY WILL BE PROCESSED AND EVANS' TECHNOLOGY SHOULD
BE GIVEN TO PREVENT UNSATISFACTORY OIL AND MEAL GOING TO MARKET.
5. ASA FEELS IT IS NECESSARY TO GET PRIVATE INDUSTRY FULLY
INFORMED ABOUT SOYBEANS BEFORE MARKET CAN BE DEVELOPED.
6. WITH YOUR CONCURRENCE, TEAM NOW PLANS TO ARRIVE MAY 2 AND
LEAVE MAY 4.

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